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Case CM1431

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In the Application of :
J. F. BODET ET AL. :
Serial No. 09/341,979 : Group Art Unit 1751
Filed July 21, 1999 : Examiner G. DelCotto
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For DETERGENT COMPOSITIONS WITH IMPROVED
PHYSICAL STABILITY AT LOW TEMPERATURE

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 27, 2001 (Paper No. 19), please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks. Applicants are submitting a Petition for Revival under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) and a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 16 without prejudice.

Please amend Claims 12, 19, and 20 to read as follows:

12. (Twice Amended) An aqueous liquid detergent composition comprising from 30% to 70% by weight of the total composition of water, from 0.1% to 2% by weight of the total composition of magnesium ions, and a surfactant mixture comprising:


a) an alkyl alkoxy sulfate surfactant of the formula $R_1O(A)_xSO_3M$, where R_1 is an alkyl or alkenyl group having 9 to 16 carbon atoms, A is an alkoxy group, x represents 0.5 to 3 in average, and M is a member selected from the group consisting of alkali metals, alkali earth metals, ammonium and alkanolammonium, wherein from 20% to 60% by weight of the total alkyl alkoxy sulfate comprises an alkyl alkoxy sulfate wherein R_1 is branched such that the composition provides sudsing; and

b) 0.5% to 10% of an amine oxide surfactant.

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